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Letter dated 24 April 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Burundi to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to submit to you the press release issued by the members of the diplomatic community and of regional organizations that met on 24 April 2015 under the auspices of the United Nations to assess the situation in Burundi (see annex).

I kindly request that the present letter and its annex be issued as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex to the letter dated 24 April 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Burundi to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

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Press release

Members of the diplomatic community and regional organizations met today under the auspices of the United Nations to assess the situation in Burundi.

They took note of progress in the preparations for the elections and, in particular, the large number of political parties that have put forward candidates for the communal and legislative elections.

They urged all political parties to participate in the current electoral process.

They strongly encouraged the Government, political parties and civil society organizations to refrain from committing any acts of violence or intimidation before, during or after the elections.

They urged all stakeholders to raise any grievances or concerns through the existing legal bodies and processes.

They appealed to the people of Burundi not to endanger the stability, peace, democracy and development that they have built since the end of the civil war.

Bujumbura, 24 April 2015